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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2000, Applicants respectfully  
request consideration of the following comments and amendments:

COMMENTS

The attached separate page titled "VERSION WITH MARKINGS SHOWING  
CHANGES MADE" includes amended claims and a paragraph of the specification, in  
accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(c). Claims 1 and 43 have been amended. Claims 1-47  
remain pending in the present application.

The Supplemental Declaration Submitted Herewith Fully Complies With 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.175

The declaration filed with the present reissue application was objected to under 37  
C.F.R. § 1.175. In response, Applicants have submitted herewith a Supplemental  
Declaration which fully complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.175.

With respect to the rejection of the original Declaration for failing to identify the  
foreign application on which foreign priority is claimed, the supplemental declaration, at  
paragraph 4, includes a claim under 35 U.S.C. § 119 for foreign priority to Japanese Patent

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